Good afternoon,

We've reached the end of another busy week in school. We look forward to sending off our Y6 pupils to their Residential on Monday and welcoming our KS1 Parents to Harvest Worship on Tuesday morning.

A short newsblog this week.

Have a great weekend,

Best wishes, Mr Spencer & The Tadpole Team

Date	What?	Who?	Additional info
Monday 9th -13th October	Y6 Residential	Y6	
Tuesday 10th October	Harvest Worship - Parents of Year 1 & 2 invited	KS1 (Year 1 & Year 2)	Join us at 9.00am - 9.20am in the Main Hall
Tuesday 10th October	NO Swimming	Y3	
Tuesday 17th October	Swimming	Y3	
Wednesday 18th October	Last day of Term 1	ALL	Finish at normal time, Lilypad after school club still open after school as usual
Monday 30th October	INSET - school closed	ALL	
Tuesday 31st October	First day of Term 2	ALL	
Tuesday 31st October	Swimming	Y3	
Thursday 2 November	Flu Vaccination	YR - Y6 only	More details to follow on how to sign your child up
Thursday 2nd November	Parent Consultations 1	ALL	Details on how to book a slot to follow
Tuesday 7th November	Parent Consultations 2	ALL	Details on how to book a slot to follow

# **Harvest Donations**

Over the past few years we have enjoyed collecting donations as part of our Harvest Celebration for the **Swindon Food Collective** who collect and (re)distribute donated non-perishable food and non food items to those in need. They help individuals and families that are finding it hard to feed themselves for a variety of reasons such as low wages, low income, family crisis, delayed benefit payments, redundancy, bereavement or sickness and currently operate 11 Food Distribution Centres in and around Swindon.

HARVEST DONATIONS - WHAT WE NEED MOST THIS YEAR- Regular sized Tins, Jars, Bottles, Cartons or Packets of the following: *Potatoes; Meat; Fish; Tomatoes; Soup; Vegetables; Fruit; Puddings; Pasta Sauce; Cereals; Small Jars of Coffee; Tea; Small Bags of Sugar; Biscuits; 1L Bottles of Squash; Washing Up Liquid; Laundry Pods; 2 in 1 Shampoo & Conditioner; Male and Female Deodorants"* 

PLEASE NOTE: We have plentiful supplies of pasta, baked beans and shower gel so none are needed.

If you wish to donate please send your child in with an item from Monday 2nd October- Monday 9th October.

# **Book donations**

Thank you for the donations that have been received this week, we are still looking for more donations of books if you have any please drop off at the school office. Thank you

This year we are looking to expand the variety of books that we offer the children in school. With that in mind, we would like to ask that if you are having a clear out we would love to give your old books a new home.

We are looking for **shorter chapter books** or non-fiction books in particular. All books must be in a good condition and where possible, appropriate for children in Year 3-6.

### Closing of side gate - NEST project

The side gate has been closed for 3 weeks now due to ongoing site work on our new NEST area. Thank you for being patient whilst this work is being completed. Due to an unavoidable delay in the delivery of a new skylight, we are still unable to open this space or the gate by the car park. I'm sorry for the inconvenience.

### YR Reading Books

Please can the children have their reading books in their clear folders in school everyday so that we can hear them read and change their books when required. The sharing story books need to be returned on Wednesday to be swapped.

### Exciting Baby News

We are thrilled to announce that Miss Cowan has had her baby and both Mummy, Daddy and baby boy are doing well! Welcome to the world, Zack!

